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**Selectable Vending Options and Controls**

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**RESPONSE**

**Sir:**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2006 issued in the above-identified U.S. patent application. In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**